Howard County Council

Racial Equity Task Force



Meeting: Meet and Greet – Land-Use and Housing Policy Subgroup

Start Time: Nov. 17th, 2020 5:15pm

End Time: Nov. 17th, 2020 5:45pm

Task Force Member Attendees:

Jessica Coates Jonathan Edelson
Suzanne Haley Peter Engel
Vonda Orders Isabella Battish
Phillips Engelke Taneeka Richardson

Ian Kennedy

Council Attendees:

Felix Facchine Deb Jung
Colette Gelwicks Liz Walsh
Theo Wimberly Ginnie Gick
Ashley Alston Charity Respass

Michael Harris

Agenda:

- Introductions
 - "What do you love about Howard County?"
- Monthly Meeting Schedule
- Council website and Task Force email
- Upcoming Task Force Kickoff Meeting
- Next Steps and Closing

Approved Minutes:

Welcome by Jessica Coates, Subgroup Chairperson. Ms. Coates facilitated introductions. The subgroup members and Council staff introduced themselves and shared information about their background, interests, what they love about Howard County, and a personal fun fact.

Felix Facchine, County Council staff, led a discussion on scheduling Land-Use and Housing subgroup's regular monthly meeting for the duration of the Task Force. Mr. Facchine discussed the monthly cadence of Task Force work, including holding meetings during the second week of the month. Subgroup members shared their availability and generally agreed that evening meetings would be best. The subgroup members settled on the following two potential dates and times for the regular meeting:

• 4pm – 6pm on the 2nd Wednesday of the month

• 4pm – 6pm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month

Colette Gelwicks, County Council staff shared that the final meeting date will be determined once all six subgroups have identified their respective schedules, ideally before Thanksgiving.

Mr. Facchine shared information about the Task Force kickoff meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 19th at 4:30pm and some of the content that was likely to be reviewed at the meeting.

Mr. Facchine shared information about the Racial Equity Task Force webpage, which is housed on the County Council website. The webpage will include information such as documents, meeting agendas, meeting minutes, and opportunities to submit testimony.

Theo Wimberly, County Council staff, shared that all subgroup meetings are open to the public and may have members of the public tuning in to watch the subgroup members.

Ms. Coates confirmed that WebEx would be used for future meetings. She thanked the members of the subgroup for participating.